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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AGREEMENT FOR TURBAY TO BE COLOMBIAN  
AMBASSADOR TO US

1. THE FOREIGN MINISTER SUMMONED ME PERSONALLY  
TO REQUEST OFFICIALLY AN AGREEMENT FOR DR JULIO  
CESAR TURBAY AYALA TO BE COLOMBIAN AMBASSADOR TO  
THE US. HE SAID HE PREFERRED TO DO THIS THROUGH  
ME RATHER THAN THE NORMAL PRACTICE. HE EXPRESSED  
THE HOPE FOR PROMPT GRANTING OF THE AGREEMENT.

2. BIO DATA ON DR TURBAY AS GIVEN ME BY THE  
FOREIGN MINISTER IS AS FOLLOWS (ADDITIONAL  
BIO INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE IN THE DEPARTMENT):  
PRESENT POSITION: DESIGNADO DE LA NACION  
(VICE-PRESIDENT) AND PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE,  
WHICH CARRIES PROTOCOLARY PRECEDENCE EQUIVALENT  
TO "PRESIDENT OF THE CONGRESS".

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: JUNE 18, 1916,  
BOGOTA COLOMBIA.

WIFE: NYDIA QUINTERO DE TURBAY.

CHILDREN: JULIO CESAR, DIANA CONSUELO,  
CLAUDIA AND MARIA VICTORIA TURBAY QUINTERO.

EDUCATION: DOCTOR HONORIS CAUSA IN LAW AND  
POLITICAL SCIENCE, UNIVERSIDAD DEL CAUCA.

PREVIOUS POSITIONS: DEPUTY TO THE DEPARTAMENTAL

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ASSEMBLY OF CUNDINAMARCA 1939 REPRESENTATIVE

TO THE CHAMBER AND PRESIDENT OF SAME, 1943-1946  
COLOMBIAN REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ASSEMBLY OF THE  
UNITED NATIONS WITH RANK OF AMBASSADOR, 1947;  
PRESIDED COLOMBIAN DELEGATION TO THE CONSITUTENT  
ASSEMBLY OF PANAMA 1947; COLOMBIAN DELEGATE TO  
THE PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION IN ARGENTINA (SIC:  
MINISTER OF MINES AND PETROLEUM 1957-1958  
MINISTER OF FOREIGN RELATIONS 1958-1961  
PRESIDENT OF THE COLOMBIAN DELEGATION TO THE  
XIII ORDINARY ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS,  
1958, ATTENDED THE FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE  
IN WASHINGTON 1958 ATTENDED THE V MEETING OF  
CONSULTATION OF FOREIGN MINISTERS IN SANTIAGO,  
CHILE DURING WHICH HE PRESENTED THE PLANS ON  
NON-INTERVENTION AND ON HUMAN RIGHTS WHICH WERE  
APPROVED AS RESOLUTIONS AT SAID MEETING;  
PRESIDED AGAIN THE COLOMBIAN DELEGATION  
TO THE XIV ORDINARY ASSEMBLY OF THE  
UNITED NATIONS WITH RANK OF AMBASSADOR 1959;  
CHIEF OF THE COLOMBIAN PERMANENT DELEGATION  
TO THE UNITED NATIONS WITH RANK OF AMBASSADOR,  
1967; AMBASSADOR EXTROARDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY  
TO THE GOVERNMENT OF HER BRITANIC MAJESTY, 1972  
SENATOR OF THE REPUBLIC AND PRESIDENT OF THE  
SENATE 1974-1978; ACTING PRESIDENT OF THE  
REPUBLIC, 1967; HONORARY COLONEL OF THE ARMED  
FORCES OF COLOMBIA.  
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